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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 47-74 stand in the present application, claims 47, 54 and 54-71 having been further amended. More particularly, the claims have been further amended in accordance with comments made by the Examiner in a telephone conference with the undersigned. Thus, the claims as amended are now believed to be more clearly supported by the present specification, as will be described in greater detail below.

Claims 47, 54 and 64-71 have been amended to more clearly recite the inventions as described in the present specification at pages 9-13. Accordingly, the claims as amended are now believed to be in better condition for examination.

Moreover, Applicants respectfully submit that the present claims as amended herein, patentably define over the cited references for the same reasons given previously in the Amendment dated August 19, 2003.

Therefore, in view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully requested that the application be reconsidered and that all of claims 47-74, standing in the application, be allowed and that the case be passed to issue. If there are any other issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through either a

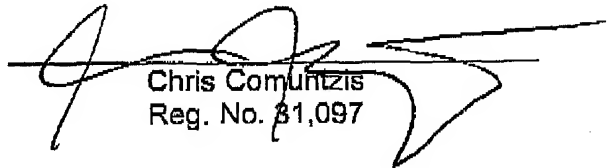
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supplemental response or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is respectfully
requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone exchange indicated below.

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